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MEMORANDUM FOR: Legislative Counsel
 ATTENTION: Mr. Patrick Carpentier
 FROM: Robert W. Gambino
 Director of Security
 SUBJECT: House Select Committee on Assassinations
 Request for Review of Files (U)



1. (U/AIUO) Action Requested: None; for information only.

2. (U/AIUO) Background: Reference is made to the attached House Select Committee on Assassinations (HSCA) requests dated 19, 23, and 26 January 1978 (OLC 78-0095/1, OLC 78-0070/3, and OLC 78-0070/9) for review of all files and index references regarding some 26 subjects of interest to the HSCA.

(C) With regard to the 19 January request, the Office of Security has material available for review pertaining to F. Lee Crisman, Charles Siragusa, James Earl Ray, and Arthur Hanes. No record was found for Jonas C. Sporn, Laverne "Larry" Crafard, Charles Joseph Stein, Lemar Wilson, or Louis P. Davis. The HSCA has asked whether any of the aforementioned individuals were employees, agents, or informants of the CIA. Charles Siragusa was of liaison interest to various components of this Agency from 1961-67, including the Behavioral Activities Branch of Technical Services Division. He was assigned to the Office of Strategic Services (OSS) from 1944-46. Arthur Hanes was a confidential correspondent of the Office of Security from 1952-59. He was of interest to the Office of General Counsel (OGC) and was placed on OGC's Cleared Attorneys Panel in August 1961. OGC's interest appears to have been canceled in 1971.

(S) With regard to the 25 January request, the Office of Security has material available for review on Valeriy Kostikov, Ruth Hyde Paine, John Lindsay Hoke, and Sylvia Ludlow Hyde Hoke. Only overt source material was found for Michael Ralph Paine. Without additional identifying

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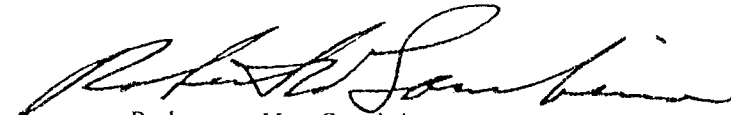
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information, a meaningful search and identification cannot be effected regarding Pedro Gutierrez Valencia. As your Office is aware, discussions have already been initiated with certain staff members of the HSCA regarding Yuri Ivanovich Nosenko.

(C) Regarding the 26 January request, this Office has material available for review on all 10 subjects.

(C) The aforementioned material has been prepared for review by HSCA staff members under revised procedures pertaining to HSCA access to Agency files. Please contact Mr. Bruce Solie (red line 9126) or Mr. John Sullivan (red line 1893) when the HSCA staff members are ready to begin their review of the above material.



Robert W. Gambino

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THE DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE

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OLC 78-0070/d
28 FEB 1978

Mr. G. Robert Blakey
Chief Counsel and Director
Select Committee on Assassinations
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Mr. Blakey:

I have received your letter of 27 February 1978 requesting access by your authorized representatives to various materials relating to your investigation surrounding the death of President Kennedy.

I have transmitted your request to the appropriate offices within the Agency and have asked that they make every effort to respond as quickly as possible. I have also asked them to give priority consideration to items #1, 5, 6, 10 and 11.

I will advise you immediately when any material responsive to the request becomes available to me.

Sincerely,

SIGNED

Patrick L. Carpentier -
Assistant Legislative Counsel

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OLC 78-0070/22
28 February 1978

MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. Scott Breckinridge, IG
Mr. Dick Rininger, OGC
Mr. Don Gregg, SA/DO/O
Mr. Robert Kennedy, OP
Mr. Hubert Lacey, OF
Mr. Ray Reardon, OS

FROM : Mr. Rodger S. Gabrielson
OLC/C&R

SUBJECT : House Select Committee on Assassinations
Request (U)

1. (U) Attached please find a copy of a request for information from the House Select Committee on Assassinations dated 27 February 1978.

2. (U) Please assemble all material in your office responsive to this request and advise me by telephone as material becomes available to you. Please note that on the last page of Mr. Blakey's letter he requests priority consideration to items #1, 5, 6, 10 and 11. I shall then advise the Committee that material is ready for their review at your offices. Notes taken from your material by Committee staff should be classified at the highest level of the material being reviewed and each staffer should sign a log sheet indicating access to the material. Notes and copies of your log sheet will be retained in OLC. No classified notes will leave the Headquarters Building.

3. (U) Committee staff will generate summary reports based upon their file review and notes. You will be asked to sanitize these reports to protect intelligence sources and methods prior to transmittal to the Committee. After sanitization, the reports will be transmitted to the Committee, classified, if necessary, at the highest level of classification appropriate.

4. (U) Advise me if you are unable to respond within a reasonable time or if you have any questions regarding our procedures for dealing with the Committee.


Rodger S. Gabrielson

Attachment:
As Stated

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